

THE SEVIEN GREAT AGRICULTURAL COUN-TIES OF AMERICA

yourself.

The first is a sheaf of statistics from the ceusus bureau, showing the eight largest crop-producing counties in the country. Of these eight, the first is the extreme west.—Los Angeles county, California, which had in the year reported on a total agricultural production of \$14,20,900 in fruits, vegetables, hay, fivestock and dairy products. The lowest of the eight is in the extreme east—Anostook county Maine, with a total production of \$10,-151,000 in potatoes and vegetables, The other six come in the following order, beginning with No. 2:

Lancaster, Renn. \$13,059,000
McLean, Ill. 12,811,500
Whitman, Wash 12,540,700
Livingston, Ill. 4 11,377,300
Iroquois, Ill. 10,607,800

in all of these six counties grains are the principal production, though dairy products take a high place in Lancaster county. Penn. The census figures also show the income per acre these eight best farming counties the United States. They are as

Still more interesting to me are the statistics of the production per capita in these eight bauner counties. They strikingly reverse the order of acreage production. The waite of farm crops produced to each individual in these counties is shown in the next table: Whitman, Wash\$377 McLean, Ill. 188
Aroostook, Maine 126
La Salle, Ill. 1413
Lancaster, Pean. 78
Los Angeles, Cal. 29

It seems a bit curious, at first giance, that Los Angeles, Cal., and Lancaster, Penn., should head the list in production per acre, with Iroquois, Ill., and Whitman, Wash, tailing it with the whitman, wash, tailing it with the lowest production per acre, while whitman and Iroquois lead in production per capita and Lancaster and Los Angeles drag at the lowest end of the scale in per capita production. Naturally, one would thirk that a county which got the biggest crops per acre, would be likely to give the biggest results per individual. A glance at the census figures of population, five miles across three of the counties are in its limits. Well, led to conties are in its limits, well, led to tit. Its four prize winners lie practically in a bunch, right in the heart of the famous "corn-belt"; a broad stretch of rich, black-soiled garden lifty to five hundred feet of fertile diff below it; so level that the map shows one railroad running seventyat the census figures of population, however, shows forth the explanation. Los Angeles, for instance, is the most populous county in all California,

bacteria.

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for home use.

(Written Specially for The Bulletin.), most of them city residents and, there-Two or three receist publications of the government have interested me much, and I wonder if they might not some of you? Anyway I'm going to pass them on to such of you as may not already have seen them.

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It makes a big difference with the

figures of production per head when you have to divide the total in one case among 500,000 people, nine-tenths of whom never touch a farm tool, or, in another case, amon only 33,000, nine-tenths of whom devote all their time to farm work.

While it is undeniably true that "figures don't lie", it is just as true that you've got to find out exactly what they say or you may deceive yourself.

Nor is there any reason why we of the east should feel any sense of dis-grace because a California county, los Angeles, totals the highest gross production of the eight banner counties, while Aroostook, Maine, reports the lowest of the eight. In the first place, the principal crops of Los Angeles are oranges, lemons, and the like, rather high-priced fruits; while the main stay of the Aroostook farm-ers is in common, plebelan potatoes, which sometimes cost the consumer which sometimes cost the consumer enough, but seldom bring the producer high prices. Again, while Los Angeles has over 500,000 inhabitants, Aroos-took has but 75,000. Los Angeles has a climate which its residents orag about as the very finest in the world with twelve months of summer every with tweive months of summer every year, while Arostook sticks its head up to within shouting distance of bleak Labrador, and is unusually pleased if it gets as much as three consecutive months without a freeze-up. If the names on the map afford a just criterion. Los Angeles is threejust criterion, Los Angeles is three quarters cultivable area, while two quarters cultivable area, while two-thirds if not three-quarters of Aroostook are wilderness,-woods and lakes and mountains.

That the eastern farmer should,, in

notable achievement. Of course, Illinois will put up a big brag because four of the nation's best eight counties are in its limits. Well, shows one railroad running seventy-five miles across three of the counties named in a line as straight as if drawn by a ruler.

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good beer, rather than water.

an area with so much waste land and under such unfavorable conditions of climate, pull the county up even to

membership among the first eight is a

which is in swamps and lakes and forests, anyway, come within \$70,000 of perimenting, trying out any scheme, old or new, which saile, Illinois, every square acre of which is arable and which has a rich soil extending down half way to China, then those Maine farmers don't need to make any excuses.

Keep on constantly testing and exing any scheme, old or new, which shows promise to an open mind, and ruthlessly discard—

THE FARMER.

WEW INNINI'S MUNICIPAL RILLINING

Another line of statistics just issued refers to the production and use of fertilizers in the United States. We are not only importing increased quantities of such things as nitrates and potash salts from South America and Germany, we are producing immensely more than ever before such domestic fertilizers as we have the raw material for.

Did you imagine that the farmers of the country were using, for instant, about \$8,000,000 worth perannum of cottonseed oil cake, not for feeding, but for manuring alone? About ninety per cent of all the sulphuric acid produced in this country is used to making superphosphates, and the domestic output has increased in twelve years from 3,000 long tons to 303,000. In ten years, the output of phosphate rock has doubled, amounting to about 3,000,000 tons in 1912. Altogether, taking all the sorts in a bunch, the United States produced for the use of its farmers \$104,000,000 worth of commercial fertilizer in the year for which figures are at hand—an increase of over \$50,000,000 in five years.

This, in addition to what we imof over \$50,000,000 in five years.

This, in addition to what we imported. And we bought from Chill more than \$20,000,000 worth of nitrate

I'm not digging out these figures, just now, with any purpose of preaching a sermon about commercial fertilizers. Time enough for that on some other occasion. But it surely is significant that the production of artificial manures should be doubling in this country in five years. Doubling in spite of the fact that the price is constantly climbing. It looks as if some farmers, somewhere, were using the stuff and making it pay. They wouldn't keep on calling for more and more at this rate, if they didn't think they were getting their money back from it. Nor would the manufacturers increase their production if there ers increase their production if there wasn't call for it.

I don't know,-haven't the figures at hand to tell me,—but from some scattered items which have come under my observation I am strongly inclined to believe that the Aroostook potato-growers, for instance, are using commercial fertilizers rather freely,—a good deal more freely than the corn-growers of La Salle county, Illinois, we'll say. And they are getting an average return of \$23 an acre, while the boys out in La Salle think \$17 an acre something to brag about.

One thing is certain: you can empty a soll of its fertility, i. e. its crop-producing quality, in course of time, just as surely as you can empty a quart-measure of water by pouring it out. When the quart measure is full you don't need to put any more water in it: when the soil is new and full of fertility you don't need to spread artificial fertility on it. But when they're both emptied, something has got to be done. done. You've got to pump fresh water for the one and put on fresh fertility for the other.

Where are you going to get that fresh fertility? That's the whole question. You must get it from somewhere or your farm will peter out.

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Shall it be barn-yard manure from
your own herds? Or shall it be gypsum from Nova Scotia? Or shall it
be phosphate rock from Florida and
Tennessee? Or shall it be potash from
Germany and nitrate of soda from
Chill? Or lime from Dunburg? You thing which will cost you the least, in

proportion to the crops it produces.

Which and what shall it be?

As I've said, over and over again, that is a question which each farmer Los Angeles, for instance, is the drawn by a ruler.

most populous county in all California, with over half a million inhabitants, thin-solled Maine county, most of I can see to get that answer is to

"BEST BY FAR"

NEW LONDON'S MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Handsome Structures the Result of Local Architectural and Builders' Skill-Political Activities and Talk.

The new municipal building is finally completed, was formally dedicated last Wednesday and devoted to the purpose for which it was constructed. It is a substantial and magnificent building, a credit to the architect, the builder and the city and a monument to Mayor Bryan F. Mahan, through whose characteristic progressiveness the municipal building became a reality at this time. It cost a big pile of the people's money and it is believed the people have received full value for every dollar expended, although it is believed the building could be duplicated for a much less sum of money. A satisfying the building could be duplicated for a much less sum of money. A satisfying feature of the building lies in the fact that it was designed by a New London contractor and, so far as was possible, the money spent in the construction of the building was handed out to New Londoners. That is as it should be and it demonstrates that no building is too small and none too large to be handled by local contractors and local architects. New London architects designed the new Manwarring building, the new Plant building and their construction is by New London contractors, as was also the Plant mansion at Eastern Point and other private mansions in the vicinity of Goshvate mansions in the vicinity of Gosh-

It is to be hoped that all things being equal, that local contractors will be considered, yes, even favored, when contract is awarded for the buildings of the Connecticut College for Women. of the Connecticut College for Women. One of the members of the firm of architects that is to be in charge of the construction of the college buildings, is a New Londoner, was born here and went through the graded schools and graduated from Bulkeley before taking up the study of architecture. It has been announced that bids for the construction of three of the buildings will be opened next Monday, and that New London contractors are among the many bidders. And it would be gratifying to the people of New London who generously contributed to the college fund if the contract, was awarded to a New London firm, one of responsibility and with financial backing sufficient to carry on financial backing sufficient to carry on the work without a hitch. There are such building firms in New London, and their bids should be the favored ones, provided there are no great dif-ferences in the estimates.

It would be a setback to the progressive spirit of New London to have the contract go to some out-of-town firm that might be specially favored by the architects. Here in the country the opinion prevails that contractors in New York are generally favored by in New York are generally favored by the architect firms of that city, that may not be the case with firm of architects of which the native New Londoner is a member. It will be disappointing if the contract for the construction of the college buildings s not awarded to a New London firm.

Even the contract for the construc-tion of the Connecticut state pier, which involves an expense of \$1,000,000 which was planned by a New London-er, was awarded to a New London contracting firm, and the sub-contracts also went to New Londoners, and the state will get the full value of the liberal appropriation. This work is liberal appropriation. This work is progressing satisfacorily and demonstrates the ability of local contractors to handle bigger jobs than the construction of college buildings. It is a foregone conclusion that the new Y. M. C. A building will be designed by a C. A. building will be designed by a New London architect and built by New London contractors, and this building, like the Plant and Manwaring buildings, will probably be larger than any single building in the college March 18. The program follows the program fol

inations of United States senator and governor of Connecticut, with Mahan pitted against Baldwin for the senate omination and Landers and Comstock for the governorship. It is clearly a democratic skirmish and there will be battle formation at the state convention, when a candidate for the United States senate will be nominated in convention for a first time to be bal-loted for directly by the people. As governor, Mr. Baldwin by placing re-publicans in the highest salaried places at his command did not make many political friends in his own party and it is believed there will be an anti-Baldwin delegation at the convention that will have considerable power, especially so if the established party rule prevails in sending as delegates the members of legislature, very few of whom 'are the political friends of the governor. So at this distance, with Mahan and Baldwin as candidates for the senate, Mahan is slated as the winner, but his election is an entirely dif-ferent problem.

Mahan knows, as does everybody else in the state, that even as strong a candidate as himself cannot be elected on the democratic ticket in Connecticut, provided the republican party is united by the corraling of the trouble-some large herd of Bull Moose, that have already commenced leaping over the barbed wire enclosure of republi-cauism. But is it believed that enough of them have seen the error of their way, been convinced that their desertion meant democratic success, simply that and nothing more, and will re-turn to the republican fold father than serve as allies to the democratic party. Woonsocket R. I., recently.

With Baldwin disposed of, Comstock has no chance for the gubernatorial nomination, for the same political crew that wrecked the Baldwin craft would sink the Comstock boat and its crewe deep in the political seea. Comstock is close to the governor and was perhaps instumental in getting just a few of the good-paying appointments for democrats and probably banks on the support of these democratic office holders and will probably cratic office holders and will probably work them for all they are worth in the political game. Comstock is a veteran in the game of politics, but his methods are so well-known to his political opponents that they will not be effective. It will probably dawn up-on Messrs. Baldwin and Comstock that they have been playing a losing game in politics and that they might as well take hold of the long rope and draw their sled. The political indications

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slight changes in the directorate of the party in order to make sure success at the polls in the coming state election. It may be that those who are responsible for the split in the party will take a tumble and retire for the good of the party. That is the fervent wish of the New London friends of Senator Frank B. Brandegee who are desirous of securing his nomination and reelection. He has served his state well and has succeeded in attaining a front rank position that only comes after long experience in the upper branch of congress and is won through merit and efficiency.

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If it should come to pass that the two leaders of the political parties in New London, Brandegee and Mahan, should be pitted against each other the result of the vote in the city would be among the most interesting of the election returns. There is more advance political interest in New London as to whether Brandegee or Mahan will be the next governor. The result of the yote in New London would not cause much heavy betting but it would be a ter to one shot Comstock would not lead the republican candidate governor in New London, and the betting would be even with Landers in the running.

Tolland County STORRS

Getting On With Amory and Gymnasium-President Beach To Spend Vacation In the West.

The concrete foundation for the new standpipe is being put in, under the direction of Prof. C. A. Wheeler. The outside walls of the armory and gymnasium are nearly finished. The iron girders for the floor are being put Has Gone West.

President C. L. Beach has joined his wife in Kirkwood, Mo. He will spend his vacation in the west.

Miss Ethel Fitts and infant son
Kenneth have returned from a visit in Ware, Mass. Mrs. Rogers is entertaining Miss Gordon of Hartford.

Gordon of Hartford.

Miss Edna Shepard of Fitchburg,
Mass., is visiting Mrs. H. D. Edmond.
Dr. and Mrs. Newton have left for
their vacation. Dr. Rettgar of Yale
university with his family are occupying the house for the summer.

Washington County, R. 1. RICHMOND

Two Local Students Graduated from South Kingston High School-Road Commissioner Appointed.

Commencement exercises of the South Kingston High school were held than any single building in the college group. New London is ably represented on the board of trustees who will probably see to it that the New London bidders get a square deal.

March, orchestra, Watter N. Reynolds; chorus, llaf Trygvason, Grieg, school; address of welcome, A. A. Griffin; essay, The Panama Canal, Attmore Edwin Griffin; ama Canal, Attmore Edwin Griffin; essay, The Panama Canal, Attmore Edwin Gr Their is some gum shoe campaign-ing going on throughout the state by the Baldwin-Comstock combine as op-the Baldwin-Comstock combine as op-Annie Bertha Congdon; chorus, June the Baldwin-Comstock combine as op-posed to the Mahan-Landers combine, in the preliminary contest for the nom-the preliminary contest for the nom-Grath; chorus, Darkey Lullaby, Dvo-rak, Glee club; essay and valedictory, The George Junior Republic, Mary Clarke Tucker; violin solo, selected, Clarke Tucker; violin solo, selected, Luther Emerson Caswell; presentation of diplomas, Hon. Sumner Mowry; chorus, March of the Toreadors, from Carmen, school; benediction, Rev. C. P. Redfield; music, orchestra. Among the graduating class of 16 were Henry D. Hoyle and Andrew W. Moore of Richmond.

Baccalaureate Sermon The baccalureate sermon to the class of 1914, South Kingston High school, was delivered by Rev. J. W. Forbes at the Peace Dale Congregational church.

Short Paragraphs. Fred W. Smith and Miss Mary E. Brown were Sunday visitors at Charlestown Beach. William H. Kingsley, who has been ill for a number of weeks, is slowly

Miss Florence Milner has returned, after spending a few days in Provi-Andrew Moore was a guest recently of Attmore E. Griffin at Salt Pond,

Wakefield. William A. Wilcox of Westerly was a recent business caller in Beaver River Valley.
Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Hendrick of

Wickford Junction were calling on relatives in this vicinity Sunday. William J. Dawley is the owner of a new automobile.

John J. Cottrell and family, Miss
Mary Brown and Fred W. Smith were

The Beaver River school closed June

Shanonck Wednesday.

Luke C. Holley has recently been appointed road commissioner by the town

WEEKAPAUG Cottagers Arriving for the Sea

Mrs. Butcher in Germany. Mrs. L. C. Sanford and family of New Haven have arrived at Wyncote

New Haven have arrived at Wyncote cottage for the summer.

Miss Minnie Theilacker has arrived at Birds Nest camp and is getting it in readiness for Mrs. George McLeod of Philadelphia, whe will occupy the camp this summer in the absence of Mrs. Howard Butcher who has gone to Germany for three menths.

Mrs. H. A. McComber has returned home, after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in Weserly.

Mrs. Robert Scott and children of Philadelphia are guests of Mrs. Scott's mother, Mrs. Charles E. Morris at East Cote cottage. Cote cottage,
Miss Jane Tuttle of Hartford arived
Thursday at Bayfield,
James Fletcher has purchased a nice
pair of black horses to use in his business.

ROCKVILLE

altended church here Saturday and was a guest of her aunt. Mrs. Jered

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G. Barber at Ferncrest. John Lewis and family of Volun-town were callers at E. C. Kenyon's,

Misses Ella and Lucy Palmer have been camping the past week with the Camp Fire girls of Hope Valley at Clark's Point Mrs. Jared G. Barber has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. William E. Hammond at Wickford a few days this

Emory C. Kenyon made a trip to Quonocontaug beach Monday, taking down a load of furniture for parties

USQUEPAUGH

Pastor Returns from Boston Convention-Family Clambakes Planned.

Dr. S. C. Webster and son, George, of Westerly, and Dr. George Webster of Chester, Pa., were callers here on Wednesday.

Miss Sallie Levceh of Providence,
who spent last week at The Maples,
returned home Sunday evening.

F. K. Crandall of Westerly was a caller here Wednesday.

Rev. C. H. Palmer returned home Monday, after attending the Northern Baptist convention at Boston last Mrs. Mary McConnor and Mrs. Anna Wells attended the circus at Hope Valley Monday.

Mrs. Collins has gone to Maine to

visit relatives.

Mrs. Eva Webster has finished her school year at Point Judith, and is caring for her mother, Mrs. Sarah Franklin, who has suffered with rheumatism for several weeks, but is bet-

Allie Kelly and Master Edward C. Kenyon attended the school picnic at

19 for the summer.

The Sunday school connected with the Baptist church at Shannock held a very successful children's day concert Sunday evening, June 14.

Tompkin's Wild West Circus visited

Beaver River.

Mrs. E. L. Simmons visited friends here one day last week.

Mr. Sullivan of Providence is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Mary McConnor.

Mrs. Bert Stanton returned to her

Sunday.

Hardy Kelly visited his father at Wickford Sunday.

Mrs. Richard Bristow and children spent Monday and Tuesday at W.

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Beaver River.

Mrs. E. L. Simmons visited friends

Mrs. Bert Stanton returned to her home at Hope Valley Tuesday, after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Palmer. Herbert Lord of Providence spent unday heere.
John Loftus supplied the pulpit here

There are to be several family clambakes here this year, as usual.

Miss Helen S. Lamond has finished her school at Kenyon and is spending her vacation with her parents, J. S. this country but abroad by his work.

Lamond and wife. C. C. Kenyon of Ashaway was a vis-itor in this village Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bray of Lafayette spent Sunday at T.

HOPKINTON

Pupils' Piano Recital Well Attended.

A pianoforte recital was given by the pupils of Miss Jennie Louise Blake Tuesday evening at her home on High

Tuesday evening at her home on High street Ashaway. About fifty people were present and the exercises were well rendered and thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. Roger W. Lewis visited friends in New London over Sunday.

A strawberry supper was given by the Second Seventh Day Baptist society at the home of Walter D. Kenyon Tuesday evening for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. A. E. Witter. The attendance was large from the surrounding villages.

Dr. J. Riley and family of East Greenwich visited at the home of Lew-is F. Randolph, Jr., Tuesday night, LOUIS DESSART, ARTIST,

DEFENDANT IN SUIT. Claim That He Failed to Paint Picture on Time.

Louis Paul Dessart, the well known artist, having a handsome summer residence at Old Lyme, is made the defendant in a suit for \$2,500 brought by Arthur Hanna Folsom and the Folsom Art galleires of New York for an alleged breach of contract. Property to the value of \$3,000 of the defendant in Old Lyme was attached Wednesday af-

the value of \$3,000 of the defendant in Old Lyme was attached Wednesday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff J. H. Tubbs. The plaintiffs allege that on April 25, 1911, they entered into a contract with the defendant to paint ten pictures to be delivered to them, two each year for five years, and that in case of fallure to deliver the pictures before April 25 of each year the defendant was to forfelt \$1,000 for each picture. The plaintiffs claim that Dessart has failed to keep his contract by not defailed to keep his contract by not de-livering the two pictures this year at

the stipulated time.

The defendant claims, however, that just prior to April 25 he asked for and received consent of the plaintiffs to be allowed a short time longer in which to give the two pletures this year a few finishing touches and that the pletures were delivered a short time after the specified time.

The papers in the suit are returnable to the superjor court of New London county the first Tuesday in September. received consent of the plaintiffs to be

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